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C O N F I D E N T I A L GABORONE 1522

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TAGS: PFOR, UNGA, BC, KS, KN

SUBJ: KOREA AT THE UNGA

REF: (A) STATE 259571 (B) GABORONE 1458

1. CHARGE TOOK OCCASION DURING CALL ON SECRETARY FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS TIBONE NOVEMBER 5 TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION FOR BOTSWANA ABSTENTION ON THE PROCEDURAL RESOLUTION IN THE THIRD COMMITTEE AS WE HAD BEEN INFORMED BY ACTING PRESIDENT (REF B) AND TO REQUEST THAT BOTSWANA CONTINUE TO HOLD ITS POSITION ON THIS RESOLUTION OR IMPROVE IT TO A NEGATIVE VOTE.

2. TIBONE ASKED CHARGE WHAT HE UNDERSTOOD TO BE THE PROCEDURE NOW THAT BOTH RESOLUTIONS HAD PASSED IN COMMITTEE. CHARGE SAID THAT AS HE UNDERSTOOD THE PROCEDURE, THE VOTES TAKEN DURING THIRD COMMITTEE DRAFT WOULD BE REPEATED, I.E. THAT PROCEDURAL QUESTION WOULD ARISE FIRST, ON WHICH WE EXPECTED AT LEAST ABSTENTION BY BOTSWANA, THEN, IF RESOLUTION TO CHANGE PRIORITIES FAILED, THE FRIENDLY RESOLUTION WOULD BE VOTED FOLLOWED BY A VOTE ON THE HOSTILE RESOLUTION.

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3. TIBONE ASKED WHY IT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO VOTE ON THE

HOSTILE RESOLUTION IF THE FRIENDLY RESOLUTION PASSED FIRST. HE SUGGESTED THAT IF PROCEDURAL VOTE WERE TO GO THE OTHER WAY, SUPPORTERS OF THE HOSTILE RESOLUTION WOULD DEMAND THAT THE FRIENDLY RESOLUTION NOT BE ADDRESSED AT ALL ONCE THEIR RESOLUTION HAD PASSED. HE WONDERED WHY SUPPORTERS OF THE FRIENDLY RESOLUTION WOULD NOT DO THE SAME THING.

4. CHARGE REITERATED HIS UNDERSTANDING OF THE PROCEDURE THAT IT WOULD BE A REPEAT OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE ACTIONS AND THAT THE OUTCOME COULD WELL BE THAT BOTH RESOLUTIONS WOULD PASS IN PLENARY AS THEY HAD PREVIOUSLY IN COMMITTEE. TIBONE SAID THAT HE HAD NO REASON TO THINK THAT HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD CHANGE ITS VOTE ON THE PROCEDURAL RESOLUTION BUT COULD NOT BE SURE SINCE HE DID NOT KNOW EXACTLY WHAT WOULD OCCUR IN THE PLENARY DEBATE.

5. COMMENT: TIBONE IS APPARENTLY UNSURE OF THE PROCEDURES IN THE UPCOMING KOREAN DEBATE IN PLENARY. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT HE HAS RECEIVED ADVICE FROM BOTSWANA UN REP MOGAMI SUGGESTING A DIFFERENT SCENARIO. IN ANY CASE MOGAMI WILL BE A SIGNIFICANT FACTOR IN ANY POSSIBLE RECONSIDERATION OF BOTSWANA'S KOREAN VOTE.  
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